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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

Barbara Scott et al.

APPLICATION NO.: 09/777,554

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FOR: Benzothiazole Derivatives

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This is in reply to the Final Office Action mailed December 6, 2004, the period for response thereto having been set to expire on March 6, 2005. However, since March 6, 2005 is a Sunday, the instant reply is being timely filed on Monday, March 7, 2005, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.7(a). A Notice of Appeal is being filed concurrently with this Reply.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

A listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 27 of this paper.

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